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- 25X1 1. In order to fight the erysipelas prevalent among pigs in various Bezirke of Saxony, serum imported from Poland was made available to the veterinarians. The supply of serum from Serumwerk Dessau and the VEB Dessau did not suffice.
- 25X1 2. It was soon noticed by the veterinarians that in every case where the animal had been injected with the Polish serum, hog cholera suddenly appeared. No one of the veterinarians was anxious, however, to make the accusation that Poland was waging bacteriological warfare.
- 25X1 3. The slaughter of the cattle affected by the plague has reached a considerable height. In the VEB Mastanstalt Dresden, 2,000 pigs were slaughtered; in the VEB Maesterei Uebigau, 1,200 pigs, and on 4 January 1954, in the Maesterei Lockwitz, approximately 800 pigs had to be slaughtered. Accepting between 650 and 700 DM as the value of one pig for slaughter, the value of the pigs slaughtered amounts to some 2,600,000 DM.

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